



City Administrator's Report

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Dear Reader,

Each month, this report from the City Administrator's Office provides a brief summary and update of major activities, events, projects, and programs that impact the Santa Barbara community. Feel free to send me your comments and suggestions.

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Key Meetings

City Council Meetings	May 6, 13, 20, and June 3. City Hall Council Chambers, 735 Anacapa Street, 2 p.m.
City Council Budget Hearings	May 7 at 1 p.m.; May 12 at 2 p.m.; May 14 at 6 p.m.; City Hall Council Chambers, 735 Anacapa Street.

Community Events

Children's Festival	Saturday, May 17, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Alameda Park. Free admission and activities. For more information, visit www.fsacares.org or call Family Services Agency at 965-1001.
10th Annual Wheels and Waves Classic and Hot Rod Show	Saturday, May 17 and Sunday, May 18. For more information, go to www.santabarbaradowntown.com .
Nautical Swap Meet	Saturday, May 17, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Santa Barbara Harbor.
Downtown Art and Wine Tour	Thursday, May 22, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. For more information, go to www.santabarbaradowntown.com or call 962-2098.
Memorial Day Holiday.	Monday, May 26. City offices closed.

Flags on State Street: www.santabarbaradowntown.com

Cinco de Mayo

May 2 to 6

Junior League	May 6 to 16
Bike Week	May 16 to 23
Memorial Day	May 23 to 27

City Administrator's Office

City TV Nominated for Emmy. *In Plain Sight: Public Art in Santa Barbara* has been nominated for a 2008 Pacific Southwest Regional Emmy Award for Best Cultural Documentary. *In Plain Sight* is an hour-long documentary on the history and value of art in Santa Barbara that also screened at the 2008 Santa Barbara International Film Festival. City TV previously won an Emmy in 2001 for the historical documentary *Impressions in Time: A Story of Santa Barbara*. This year's Emmy awards ceremony will be held in San Diego on June 14, 2008. *In Plain Sight* was collaboration with the Santa Barbara County Arts Commission and was made possible through the generous support of David and Janine Jacoby through the Jacoby Family Trust and Santa Barbara Beautiful. Additional funding was provided through the City of Santa Barbara Redevelopment Agency.

What's Going on Inside Santa Barbara? *Inside Santa Barbara* is City TV Channel 18's monthly, award-winning news magazine show. On this month's episode of *Inside Santa Barbara*, viewers can learn about Plan Santa Barbara, the completion of the Airfield Safety Project, Carrillo Hill improvements, the City's urban forest, the Westside Cleanup sponsored by *Looking Good Santa Barbara*, the City's Job Shadow Program, and the Early Literacy for Families Program at the Library. This month's episode premieres on Wednesday, May 7th at 6:30 p.m. on City TV Channel 18. It will rebroadcast the entire month of May. For the rebroadcast schedule and more information on *Inside Santa Barbara*, go to www.citytv18.com.

Administrative Services Department

Semi-Annual Recruitment for Boards and Commissions. The City is currently conducting its semi-annual recruitment for the following Boards and Commissions:

- Architectural Board of Review
- Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals
- Community Development and Human Services Committee
- Community Events and Festivals Committee
- Creeks Advisory Committee
- Downtown Parking Committee
- Fire and Police Pension Commission
- Housing Authority Commission
- Library Board
- Living Wage Advisory Committee
- Lower Westside Center Advisory Committee
- Measure P Committee
- Rental Housing Mediation Task Force
- Single Family Design Board

- Franklin Center Advisory Committee
- Historic Landmarks Commission
- Water Commission
- Westside Center Advisory Committee

To be eligible for this recruitment, applications must be received in the City Clerk's Office by Monday, May 19, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. The City Council will conduct interviews on Tuesday, June 3, 2008, at 4 p.m. (estimated time), Tuesday, June 10, 2008, at 4 p.m. (estimated time), and on June 17, 2008, during the evening session which begins at 6 p.m. Applicants of the Franklin Center, Lower Westside Center and Westside Center Advisory Committees have an additional interview opportunity on Thursday, June 12, 2008, at 7 p.m. at the Westside Community Center, 423 West Victoria Street.

The list of vacancies, vacancy notices and the application form are available at www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov or by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (805) 564-5309.

Airport Department

Airport Passenger Usage Up. During March, 71,193 passengers arrived and departed at the Santa Barbara Airport; a 2.2% increase over March 2007. The airline service to Seattle (Horizon Air) and Dallas/Ft. Worth (American Eagle) experienced the fullest flights at 89% average capacity. First quarter 2008 statistics show that passenger traffic is 3.4% higher than the same period last year.

Viva Las Vegas! Allegiant Air begins new low-fare service to Las Vegas this month. Starting May 22nd, there will be non-stop service on full-size jets to Las Vegas. The introductory fare is \$39 one-way. To book your tickets, go to www.flysba.com.

Community Development Department

East Cabrillo Boulevard Sidewalk Replacement. The Redevelopment Agency's East Cabrillo Boulevard sidewalk replacement project started construction the week of April 21st. This project affects the sidewalk on the ocean side of the boulevard between the eastern edge of the Mission Creek bridge and Milpas Street. The improvements for this mile-long promenade include new concrete, landscaping, dual-purpose trash/recycling containers and pedestrian benches. Construction will occur Monday through Friday and is expected to last about four months. Lash Construction, Inc., a local business with past experience installing sidewalks on State Street, is doing the work. The sidewalk will be open and available on weekends and the weekly Beach Arts and Crafts Show will continue operating on their regular schedule.

Planning Commission Update. On May 8th, the following items will be heard:

3455 Marina Drive: The project involves the construction of a 5,390 square foot one-story residence, including a three-car garage, swimming pool, patio, a 27-square foot half-bath structure, septic system, site walls, synthetic putting green, and landscaping.

528 Anacapa Street: The proposed project involves the demolition of an existing 3,300 square-foot commercial building and the construction of a third and partial fourth story, mixed-use building containing seven commercial condominiums totaling 4,135 net square feet and seven residential condominiums.

900-1100 Las Positas - Veronica Meadows: The project proposes to annex approximately 50 acres to the City of Santa Barbara, located between Campanil Hill and Las Positas Road. A 31-lot subdivision is proposed as part of the project. Approximately 35.7 acres would be dedicated open space and 14.8 acres would be developed for residential uses, a public road, and public passive recreation and open space. Twenty-five residential lots would be created, ranging in size from approximately 5,000 to 9,600 square feet. The remaining six lots would be composed of common open space areas and public roads.

West Beach Pedestrian Improvements: This project involves the construction of pedestrian improvements including sidewalks, lookout areas (plazas) over the multi-use pathway, and intersection improvements on Cabrillo Boulevard from State Street to Castillo Street that include traffic signals, bulb-outs, median islands, and enhanced crosswalks and paving.

A Special Meeting will be held by the Planning Commission at 6 p.m. on May 8th in the David Gebhard Meeting Room: The meeting is a joint worksession with the Planning Commission and Transportation and Circulation Committee to present information about the citywide transportation model under preparation as part of the *Plan Santa Barbara* process. This is a work session discussion only and no action will be taken.

Finance Department

March Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) up 4.7%. March provided modest year-over-year TOT growth. After nine months (75%) of the fiscal year, the TOT is up 2.7% over the prior fiscal year. This is slightly ahead of our 2% revised growth projection for the current fiscal year. Our ability to meet our 2% year-end projection will depend on the results of the three remaining months, which traditionally generate larger amounts and therefore have the ability to affect the overall growth rate to a greater degree.

TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAXES								
Month	FY 2005	Change from Prior Year	FY 2006	Change from Prior Year	FY 2007	Change from Prior Year	FY 2008	Change from Prior Year
July	\$ 1,301,652	8.6%	\$ 1,477,789	13.5%	\$ 1,556,439	5.3%	\$ 1,613,163	3.6%
Aug	1,357,717	0.6%	1,504,589	10.8%	1,591,998	5.8%	1,645,684	3.4%
Sept	931,244	5.0%	1,109,428	19.1%	1,196,533	7.9%	1,218,695	1.9%
Oct	914,718	5.9%	963,261	5.3%	1,051,043	9.1%	1,075,341	2.3%
Nov	721,982	3.6%	809,684	12.1%	887,047	9.6%	870,754	-1.8%
Dec	575,075	4.0%	671,965	16.8%	669,540	-0.4%	669,133	-0.1%
Jan	606,484	3.7%	661,507	9.1%	677,428	2.4%	691,651	2.1%
Feb	699,349	-0.6%	738,532	5.6%	758,041	2.6%	811,319	7.0%
Mar	872,554	11.5%	855,597	-1.9%	953,927	11.5%	998,790	4.7%
April	941,281	7.5%	1,000,696	6.3%	1,046,772	4.6%		
May	1,001,438	11.8%	1,015,349	1.4%	1,052,582	3.7%		
June	1,158,018	18.9%	1,223,974	5.7%	1,249,817	2.1%		
FY Total	\$ 11,081,510	6.9%	\$ 12,032,372	8.6%	\$ 12,691,167	5.5%	\$ 9,594,530	2.7%
Budget	\$ 10,684,900		\$ 11,504,200		\$ 12,630,600		\$ 13,581,500	

Includes only the 10% unrestricted TOT revenues. Beginning in January 2001, an additional 2% is credited to Creeks/Clean Water (Measure B).

Budget Work Sessions and Public Hearings Continue. The City Council is reviewing the proposed operating and capital budget for Fiscal Year 2009. The Council already held one work session on April 25th at which they heard presentations on the proposed budgets of the Library Department, Parks and Recreation Department, City Administrator's Office, Mayor and Council, and City Attorney's Office. The following are the dates of the remaining hearings and the department budgets to be reviewed. All of the work sessions are also public hearings and will be held in City Council chambers in City Hall.

Date	Time	Department Presentations
Wednesday, May 7th	1 to 5 p.m.	Public Works and Community Development (including the Redevelopment Agency)
Monday, May 12th	2 to 5 p.m.	Airport, Waterfront, Finance (including Environmental Services), Administrative Services and Non-Departmental
Wednesday, May 14th	6 to 8 p.m.	Police and Fire

Fiscal Year 2009 Budget Submitted to Council. On April 15th, the City Council received the Recommended Fiscal Year 2009 Budget and initiated two months of public hearings to review each department's budget. A balanced operating and capital budget was presented to the City Council that includes funding for all City department operations. A \$108 million General Fund operating budget was proposed for public safety, library, community development, parks, recreation, and some public works services. Approximately \$95 million was budgeted for operations and capital projects at the Airport, Waterfront, Downtown Parking, Golf, Water, and Wastewater facilities.

To plan next year's budget, the City faced a \$4.1 million projected deficit in the City's General Fund according to our revenue estimates. A weakening economy has resulted in sharp reductions in sales tax and transient occupancy tax (bed tax) revenue growth and slight declines in property tax revenue growth. Total tax revenue estimates were reduced by \$2.8 million for

the upcoming fiscal year. Overall, revenue growth has not kept pace with rising salary and benefit costs.

To address the \$4.1 million projected deficit and balance the budget, a combination of one-time and ongoing measures were planned for the next fiscal year. The City proposed \$2.3 million in adjustments to department budgets and \$1.8 million to non-departmental budgets (workers' compensation, Intra-City Services, and street sweeping reserves). Department adjustments will involve reducing expenses that were determined to not have a significant impact on our services and increasing service fees. To help reduce salary and benefit expenses, unfilled staff positions will remain vacant in some departments. Department adjustments do not include laying off City employees or eliminating filled positions.

In the months ahead, City staff will be closely monitoring the economy and closely monitoring the City's key revenues and financial condition. While the planned budgeting strategy will help us maintain our current service level to the public, further cuts may be needed in Fiscal Year 2010 if revenues do not fully recover.

If you wish to review the budget, [click on this link to the City's website](#).

Fire Department

Seismic Renovation: Fire Station No. 1. Nine construction bids were received for the Fire Station No. 1 Seismic Renovation Project. The project has been awarded to the lowest bidder, McGillivray Construction, Incorporated, and will be funded through the Redevelopment Agency.

The project includes a complete seismic upgrade, extensive remodel of the second floor crew's quarters, partial remodel of the first floor office area, and replacement of all utilities. The design of the project will not impact the historic character or change the architectural motif of the Fire Station. This project incorporates green building materials and construction techniques that will accomplish a LEED Silver rating for new construction. Green highlights include solar power to supplement electricity and heat water along with new energy-efficient windows.

The construction phase is scheduled to begin in June 2008, and be completed by June 2009. Since the Fire Station must remain operational at all times during construction, temporary trailers will be set up behind the Fire Station to accommodate on-duty Firefighters. The temporary trailers will remain onsite until the second floor crew's quarters have been approved for occupancy by the Building and Safety Division.

Deputy Chief Retirement. After more than 27 years of service, Deputy Chief Mitch Vaughn will retire from the Fire Department on May 22nd. Mitch began as a Firefighter on December 9, 1980, and over the years he was promoted to the positions of Engineer, Captain, Battalion Chief, and to his current rank of Deputy Chief in 1999. In 2004, Mitch began leading the Department as Acting Fire Chief following Chief Warner McGrew's retirement. Mitch will retire to spend time with his wife Malinda at their home in Ojai, but still plans to work when needed at "off district" fire assignments. He is especially proud of his sons Aaron and Brian who are both following in their father's footsteps with careers in the fire service. Mitch is well-respected and admired by his fellow employees and will be greatly missed.

Library Department

Power to the Poets. The annual Young People's Poetry Contest was held recently. Participants from the 6th through 12th grades submitted poems which were judged by noted area poets, Barry Spacks and Carol DeCanio, and by *Santa Barbara Independent* arts reporter, D. J. Pellegrino. Winning poems appeared in the April 17th edition of *The Independent*. Students read their winning poems at an evening reception in the Fireplace Room of the Central Library.

No Place for Hate. Three classes of students from Cesar Chavez School came to the Eastside Library to hear Mayor Blum read a book and poems on the themes of discrimination and respect. This event was part of the Anti-Defamation League's "No Place for Hate" campaign. The Mayor spoke briefly about past examples of discrimination and about some of the current challenges related to conflict and violence in Santa Barbara, and the students participated by expressing their thoughts and feelings about the issues.

A Community of Respect. Library Youth Services staff presented two movie screenings for teens this month in conjunction with local programs. On Thursday, April 10th, *I am Legend* was shown as the kickoff to "Free 4 the Weekend." The Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse's annual teen program includes numerous events for local students who took the pledge to remain drug and alcohol free for the weekend. On Friday, April 18th, the Central Library hosted a movie screening and discussion of the teen movie, "Speak," in conjunction with the teen programs of the Rape Crisis Center and Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Entrepreneurs Workshop. SCORE® (Service Corp of Retired Executives) and the Central Library held their first partnership program on April 17th in the Faulkner Gallery. The audience of about 120 came to hear a presentation on "Planning As The Key To Success in Business." The turnout exceeded expectations, and confirmed the community interest in the subject. SCORE and the Library are planning more workshops oriented toward future business owners.

Take Time Out for Stories! The Youth Services librarians are reading stories at the Santa Barbara Art Museum one afternoon a week through June 11th. The stories are selected from works illustrated in the Museum exhibition, *Over Rainbows and Down Rabbit Holes: The Art of Children's Books*. Library staff from Montecito Library and the retired Children's Librarian at the Central Library also read at the March 19th evening event, when Spanish First Language families were invited to a special viewing of the collection.

Parks and Recreation Department

Expanding Bohnett Park. The City celebrated the start of construction of a new pocket park for the Westside neighborhood on Thursday, May 1st. The project will provide a green oasis to augment the active recreational features of the existing lower park area. The pocket park will serve neighborhood residents on San Andres Street. The park design includes a variety of unique art and whimsical elements set in a landscape of low water-using plants. The total cost of the project is \$573,185. Funding for the project includes the City's General Fund, state bond act funds and a generous donation from the Bohnett family. The two main art elements include bronze sculptural works and a Persian-style "tile rug" of local riparian flora and fauna designs.

The lower portion of Bohnett Park will remain open throughout construction. The grand re-opening of the park is expected in August.

Volunteer Efforts at Douglas Family Preserve Recognized. On Wednesday, April 23rd, the Commission recognized the Friends of the Douglas Family Preserve (DFP), the Douglas Family Preserve Technical Advisory Committee (DFPTAC), and Owen Dell for their support of the Douglas Family Preserve Community Planting Day. The Parks Division teamed up with the Friends of the DFP and the DFPTAC to hold a community planting day on March 15th. Over 35 volunteers participated in the planting of 750 native grasses and shrubs. The project received funds generated by Southern California Artists Painting for the Environment. Friends of DFP member Brad Taggart made a generous donation of native plants for the event, and Susan Belloni conducted extensive outreach. Kathleen Modugno provided support as a Friends of DFP member and also as a member of the DFPTAC.

The DFPTAC provided support of the Community Planting Event. Park and Recreation Commissioner Beebe Longstreet and Jim Andelman helped with planning, and Chair Cricket Wood, Doug Fischer, and Robert Haines helped plan and implement the event. Owen Dell, community volunteer and host of the *Garden Wise Guys* TV show, provided entertaining and informative instructions to the volunteers regarding planting methods.

It's Time to Smell the Roses. Spring is in full bloom at the A.C. Postel Memorial Rose Garden. The rose garden features 240 varieties and over 1,600 roses. Parks staff recently upgraded the miniature rose garden bed by planting 250 new roses as well as three new tree roses. Please take time to visit and enjoy our city's accredited All-American Rose Garden.

Swimming to Success. On Saturday April 19th, the Santa Barbara Junior Lifeguard Program opened its doors for registration at the East Beach Bathhouse and online at the Parks and Recreation website. Families started waiting in line as early as 5 a.m. to guarantee that their child would have one of the 280 spaces in this year's seven-week program. As of April 25th, the "B" Group (ages 12 and 13) was full with 120 registrations and a wait list; the "A" Group (ages 14-17) was full at 60; and the "C" Group (ages 9-11) was within 25 spaces of meeting the 100 registration maximum. Junior Lifeguard Swim Lessons is also overflowing with registrations, so staff is working to accommodate the nearly double maximum registrations to the program.

Shoreline Steps Reopened. The City opened the steps from Shoreline Park to the beach on Friday, April 25. The steps had been closed since January 25th, when a significant landslide occurred to the east of the steps. The City determined that since the landslide appears to be less active, the steps could again be opened to the public. In preparation, some improvements were made, including new step treads and treatment of the wood railings. During April, the Parks and Recreation Department also undertook a number of improvements to enhance Shoreline Park facilities. On April 29th, City Council received a status report on the coastal bluff erosion at Shoreline Park and approved the Shoreline Park Coastal Bluff Geologic Mapping Project. The geologic maps will help determine both immediate and long-term management options for Shoreline Park. For more information, please contact Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary at 564-5437, or Park Manager Santos Escobar at 564-5464.

Community and Youth Speak Out On Drugs and Alcohol in Santa Barbara. The Teen Program's Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention (ADAP) Teen Coalition along with Santa Barbara's Fighting Back, and the Santa Barbara Youth Council will host a Youth and

Community Speak Out on Thursday, May 8, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. at the Cabrillo Pavilion Arts Center. The event will highlight the latest local statistics on alcohol and drug use among Santa Barbara's Youth as presented in collaboration with the Rand Corporation. It will also feature comments and concerns of parents, concerned citizens and especially teens on the issues surrounding alcohol and drug use in Santa Barbara. One such statistic that will be discussed is the increased use of methamphetamine among 11th graders by 70% between 2003 and 2007 and a 62% increase in cocaine use.

The ADAP Teen Coalition, with the support from the Youth Council, recently presented to City Council a recommendation for a Social Host Ordinance. Easy access to alcohol from the home is one of the reasons why the ADAP Teen Coalition is pushing for this ordinance. This issue, along with the other related substance abuse issues will be discussed during the community speak out. All ages are welcomed. The event is free and pizza will be served with prize drawings for teenagers. For further information, please contact ADAP Coordinator Roberta Payan at 897-2547.

Police Department

PAL Soccer Team Takes 2nd in State Tournament. On the weekend of April 19th the Police Department's Police Activities League (PAL) under-14 boy's soccer team traveled to Anaheim to participate in the PAL Southern California State Tournament. The division had a total of ten teams in their bracket. Most of these teams are club teams that participate in tournaments all year round. This was only the second time that this age group participated in the State Tournament and to come home with the second place trophy is quite an accomplishment! The team is coached by Amador Castro and was accompanied to Anaheim by Officer Adrian Gutierrez. The Santa Barbara Police Department's PAL under 12 boy's team participated in the same tournament and placed 4th in their division.

Preventing Identity Theft. Demonstrating the continued commitment to fighting identity theft, on April 29th Community West Bank and the Santa Barbara Police Department hosted a free shredding event at Community West Bank on 1501 State Street. The public was invited to bring their personal documents to be shredded free of charge. Documents were shredded on-site courtesy of ShredRite. Additionally, participants had the opportunity to speak with Officer Rick Alvarado and obtain valuable information on preventing identity theft and fraud.

Public Works Department

Take the 20-Gallon Challenge! Water conservation has been a way of life in Santa Barbara for many years and continues to be important. There is a new way that you can help, by taking on the 20-Gallon Challenge at www.sbwater.org. If every person can save at least **20 gallons of water a day**, we can significantly help the region meet future demands by allowing more water to stay in storage. Saving water is easier than you may think. A few simple changes can make a big difference in your water usage. Just fixing a leaky toilet will save 30 gallons per day or installing new rotating nozzles on your sprinklers will save 40 gallons per day. Fifty percent of urban water use in Santa Barbara County is spent on landscape irrigation, so make sure you think about maximizing inside and outside water savings. The 20 Gallon Challenge is sponsored by the City of Santa Barbara and the Santa Barbara County Water Agency.

Earn Green by Greening Your Commute. The Public Works Department is pleased to announce the *Green Commute Challenge* for all City employees who are registered alternative transportation commuters. Starting in April, every day registered City Employees who use and report an alternative commuting method become eligible for a chance to win one of two \$50 cash cards from local merchants. To be eligible for the contest and the growing list of alternative transportation subsidies and contests, City employees must register for the Work TRIP program by creating an account at [Traffic Solutions Online](#). In order to retain eligibility, employees are required to keep track of their commutes on the Traffic Solutions Online Calendar. Traffic Solutions is also hosting the City's Commute Calendar, Commute Contest and offers an online carpool matchlist service. The chance of winning the weekly raffle increases the more often employees walk, bike, ride transit, vanpool, drive a Euro3 compliant scooter/motorcycle, or carpool. It is also a fun way to see how their choices directly affect fuel consumption and pollution emissions.

Waterfront Department

Operation Clean Sweep. The seafloor in any busy harbor can grow littered with lost and discarded junk, impacting boating safety and navigability. Santa Barbara Harbor's 3rd Annual Operation Clean Sweep took place on Saturday, May 3rd. About 20 teams plunged into harbor waters off Marina Two, supported by 25 dock workers who carted off and catalogued what the divers retrieved. They were joined by safety boats and vessels capable of lifting heavy objects. The Department joined Santa Barbara Channelkeeper, Surfrider Foundation, Santa Barbara Maritime Museum, Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary, harbor dive businesses, and local urchin fishermen in this effort. Each of the last two years, about two tons of seafloor junk was retrieved including traps, bicycles, steering wheels, barbecues and more.

Santa Barbara Harbor Nautical Swap. The Department, in conjunction with the Santa Barbara Harbor Merchants Associations will hold the Third Annual Santa Barbara Harbor Nautical Swap Meet on Saturday, May 17th from 8 a.m. to noon. Each year, hundreds of treasure-seekers come down to the Main Harbor parking lot near Marina 3, where approximately 80 vendors will swap treasures and stories. Past seafaring booty has included tackle and gear, surfboards, fishing poles, inflatable boats, boat rigging, boat motors, and other marine/nautical items. Free refreshments will be provided by the Santa Barbara Harbor Merchants Association.

Hazmat Turn-In Day. Santa Barbara boaters are checking their dock boxes, since this year's swap meet event is coupled with a Hazmat Turn-In Day. Located next to the Swap Meet in the Main Harbor parking lot, boaters will find a marked disposal area for hazardous materials. To limit the Hazmat event to harbor boat owners only, an "entry ticket" will be included in May's slip billing, entitling the slip permittee to dispose of appropriate items from his or her boat or dock box. No ticket is necessary to participate in the Harbor Swap Meet. Questions about the Harbor Swap Meet or Hazmat Turn-In? Call Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager, at 805-897-2587.

Solar Thermal Unit Installed At Marina 1 East Restrooms. The solar thermal unit installation is the first of a series of projects to reduce the electrical footprint in the Harbor. Completed on April 21st, the Marina 1 East Restroom was refitted with a 175 gallon storage tank

and three 4' x10' solar panels. Currently the Marina One East Restroom is served by 120 gallon electric water heater which uses about 164 kilowatt hours per day. The long-term benefit is that the unit requires less daily recharging. The completed project will now supply a total of 295 gallons of hot water daily and will not have to be fully recharged as often. The Project cost was \$26,010 with an anticipated return on investment of 5 to 7 years. The next project on the list will be the solar thermal unit installation at Marina 1 West Restroom in 2009.